

Competitiveness; Spencer Williams, West Paw Design, Bozeman, Montana; and Eric J. Toder, Urban Institute, Chris Edwards, Cato Institute, and Bill Rys, National Federation of Independent Business, all of Washington, DC.

U.S.-NIGERIA RELATIONSHIP

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on African Affairs concluded a hearing to examine the United States-Nigeria relationship in a time of transition, after receiving testimony from Johnnie Carson, Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs; John Campbell, Council on Foreign Relations, New York, New York; and Peter M. Lewis, Johns Hopkins University Paul H. Nitze School of Advanced International Studies, and Nuhu Ribadu, Center for Global Development, both of Washington, DC.

AFGHANISTAN WOMEN AND GIRLS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South and Central Asian Affairs with the Subcommittee on International Operations and Organizations, Human Rights, Democracy and Global Women's Issues, concluded a joint hearing to examine Afghan women and girls, focusing on building the future of Afghanistan, after receiving testimony from Melanne Vermeer, Ambassador-at-Large for Global Women's Issues, Department of State; James Bever, Director, Afghanistan-Pakistan Task Force, United States Agency for International Development; and Sima Samar, Afghanistan Independent Human Rights Commission, and Rachel Reid, Human Rights Watch, both of Kabul, Afghanistan.

CENSUS DAY

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security concluded a hearing to examine census day, focusing on the progress report on the Census Bureau's preparedness for the enumeration, the status of key IT systems, steps the Bureau has taken to revise its cost estimates, and the extent to which critical enumeration activities, particularly those aimed at hard-to-count populations, are on track, after receiving testimony from Robert M. Groves, Director, U.S. Census Bureau, Economics and Statistics Administration, and Todd J. Zinser, Inspector General, both of the Department of Commerce; and Robert Goldenkoff, Director, Strategic Issues, Government Accountability Office.

FOREIGN LIBEL LAWSUITS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine H.R. 2765, to amend title 28, United States Code, to prohibit recognition and enforcement of foreign defamation judgments and certain foreign judgments against the providers of interactive computer services, and S. 449, to protect free speech, after receiving testimony from Kurt Wimmer, Covington & Burling LLP, and Bruce D. Brown, Baker & Hostetler LLP, both of Washington, DC.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to the call.